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DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid

Dispensers

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, November 12, 2008 at 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED January 14, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Michael Michelli, Professional Member, President Carol Guilbert, Public Member, Secretary Illene Courtright, Professional Member Dr. Cynthia Parker, Professional Member Dr. Mary Ann Connolly-Gaskin, Professional Member Regina Bilton, Professional Member Dr. Jennifer Xenakes, Professional Member George Christensen, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II Kay Warren, Deputy Director

MEMBERS ABSENT

Maisha Britt, Public Member

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Michelli called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes from the October 8, 2008 meeting. Mr. Christensen made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the minutes as amended. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINSHED BUSINESS

Review Strategic Plan

There was nothing added or changed at this time.

Introductions took place for the benefit of the new board member, Jennifer Xenakes.

Sunset Review Update and Discussion

Ms. Kelly spoke to the Board about an email that was sent to Ms. Warren by the Executive Director of the Joint Sunset Committee, regarding whether the Board's licensing requirements conform with the current standards set by the ASHA and the IHAS. The Board agreed with Ms. Kelly's conclusion that the licensing requirements do conform with ASHA and the IHAS. Ms. Kelly also advised the Board that there are a few areas in the statute and regulations where the language needs to be adjusted to be more consistent with ASHA and IHAS.

Schedule 2009 Meeting Dates

Ms. Slaughter advised that the November 2009 meeting will be scheduled for November 4, 2009 as discussed at the October meeting. A copy of the 2009 meeting schedule was provided to the board members.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Permanent Speech Pathologist Applications

The Board reviewed Susan Howlett's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Dr. Michelli made a motion, seconded by Ms. Guilbert, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Stephanie Ruban's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Dr. Michelli made a motion, seconded by Ms. Guilbert, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Karen Thomas' application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Dr. Michelli made a motion, seconded by Ms. Guilbert, to table the application until original documents and the processing fee are received. Motion carried unanimously.

Review Temporary Speech Pathologist Applications

The Board reviewed Melissa Mancini's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Christensen, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Rae Cook's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Courtright made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of original licensure verification from New Jersey. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Permanent Hearing Aid Dispenser Applications

The Board reviewed Vanessa Dennis' application for a permanent hearing aid dispenser license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Michelli, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Kathleen Gallion's application for a permanent hearing aid dispenser license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Michelli, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Temporary Hearing Aid Dispenser Applications

The Board reviewed Paula Moore's application for a temporary hearing aid dispenser license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Emily Garlick's application for a temporary hearing aid dispenser license. Dr. Michelli made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of original licensure verification from Virginia for Ms. Garlick's audiologist license. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Tammy DeOliveira's application for a temporary hearing aid dispenser license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed John Zeszotarski's application for a temporary hearing aid dispenser license. Dr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of original licensure verification from Arizona for Mr. Zeszotarski's audiologist license. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Permanent Audiologist Applications

The Board reviewed Emily Garlick's application for a permanent audiologist license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Christensen, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of original licensure verification from Virginia. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed John Zeszotarski's application for a permanent audiologist license. Dr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of original licensure verification from Arizona. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Activities

Dr. Michelli made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the following continuing education as noted below:

Licensee: Elizabeth Polidoro Lucas

Sponsor: LinguiSystems Activity: Syndrome Disorders

Contact Hours: 3 CS

Licensee: Shara Simpson

Sponsor: Christina School District Activity: Dysphagia in the Schools

Contact Hours: 2 CS

Licensee: Amanda England Sponsor: Easter Seals

Activity: "For Clinicians: An Articulation, Oral Motor, and Phonology Update"

Contact Hours: 1 CS

Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Michelli made a motion, seconded by Ms. Courtright, to approve the following continuing education as noted below:

Sponsor: Developmental Disabilities Council

Activity: LIFE Conference XI Contact Hours: up to 3.5

Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Courtright, to approve the following continuing education as noted below:

Sponsor: Health Education Network, LLC, dba HEALTH ED

Activity: Understanding Older Minds

Contact Hours: 6 CS

Sponsor: Health Education Network, LLC, dba HEALTH ED

Activity: Cognitive Rehabilitation

Contact Hours: 6 CS

Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Michelli made a motion, seconded by Ms. Courtright, to deny the following continuing education as noted below:

Licensee: Kathi Townsend

Sponsor: Delaware Department of Education

Activity: DPAS II Training: Process & Procedures for Specialists

Contact Hours: 3

Motion unanimously carried.

Close Complaints

Dr. Parker agreed with the Investigative Unit to close Complaint #30-04-08 and Complaint #30-05-08.

Other Business before the Board

Ms. Kelly provided the Board with some examples of language from two other board's rules and regulations regarding post-renewal continuing education audits. Ms. Kelly advised that the language in the board's rules and regulations needs to be updated, and she requested that this be discussed further at the January meeting. This item will be placed on the January agenda for further discussion.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence at this time.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 14, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Dr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Ms. Guilbert, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Slaughter

Administrative Specialist II

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